





These pages are dedicated to the grateful memory to the police officers of the City of Akron, who gave their lives in the performance of their duty.



“Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.” John 15:13

	<p>-1917-</p> <p>GUY NORRIS Shot by three unknown desperadoes December 23, 1917, at 1:30 A.M. while searching them for weapons on S. High St., between Thornton and Voris St. Died December 24, 1917, at 4:30</p>
	<p>-1918-</p> <p>EDWARD J. COSTIGAN Shot from ambush and instantly killed while patrolling his beat in front of The Union Fireproof Warehouse Company, 27 N. High St., at 7:10 P.M. January 10, 1918.</p>
	<p>-1918-</p> <p>JOSEPH H. HUNT Shot from ambush and instantly killed while patrolling his beat in front of The Union Fireproof Warehouse Company, 27 N. High St., at 7:10 P.M. January 10, 1918.</p>
	<p>-1918-</p> <p>GETHIN H. RICHARDS Shot at 1:00 A.M. March 12, 1918, while in performance of his duty, searching three suspects for weapons in front of 323 S. Main St. Died about twelve hours later.</p>



-1919-

GEORGE WERNE

Shot and instantly killed at 9:10 A.M. on March 9, 1919 while in performance of his duty searching three suspects for concealed weapons at the Hickory Street Railroad Crossing.



-1925-

HAROLD ROGERS

Instantly killed on July 8, 1925 at 7:30 P.M. when his motorcycle collided with a truck on Brown Street near East South Street while in performance of his duty in attempting to apprehend a reckless driver.



-1929-

WILLIAM H. GRUBBS

Shot and fatally wounded at 3:00 A.M. on May 6, 1929 while in the performance of his duty searching two suspects for concealed weapons at the corner of East Market Street and Johns Avenue. Died May 10, 1929 at 7:10 P.M.



-1930-

HARLAND F. MANES

Shot and fatally wounded by gangsters on March 8, 1930 at 1:15 A.M. while in performance of his duty investigating an accident in which they were participants. Died March 9, 1930 at 10:15 A.M.



-1931-

FORREST GOOD

Was shot and instantly killed at 10:50 P.M. June 21, 1931, while in performance of his duty in a gun battle with two bandits who had possession of a stolen automobile at N. Prospect and Bluff Streets.



-1933-

KENNETH KNEPP

Instantly killed in a traffic collision March 3, 1933, at 3:00 P.M. during the performance of his duty as a motorcycle officer detailed to highway patrol.



-1933-

WILLIAM S. PETERSON

Involved in a traffic collision, September 3, 1933, while pursuing a drunk driver. Suffered a coronary embolus and died October 31, 1933.



-1946-

ARDEN D. WEESE

Instantly killed in a traffic collision at 9:57 A.M. March 22, 1946, during the performance of his duty as a motorcycle officer at W. Exchange and Burton Avenue.



-1960-

FLOYD A. WEATHERHOLT, JR.

Killed by an armed burglar in a gunfight after tracking him through the snow to the rear of 508 E. Exchange Street at 2:25 A.M. March 25, 1960.



-1964-

RONALD D. ROTRUCK

Killed in a cave-in of West Tallmadge Parkway during a flash- flood while assisting in the lifesaving rescue of two other victims on July 21, 1964, at 3:30 P.M.



-1965-

EUGENE HOOPER

Shot and instantly killed while in the performance of his duty searching two armed robbery suspects on East Avenue near Chestnut Ridge at 3:29 A.M. April 10, 1965.



-1968-

ROBERT E. DONAHUE

While subduing a resisting subject during an arrest this officer suffered a seizure while in the performance of his duty. He died four days later on July 31, 1968.



-1970-

GLENN K. STEWART

Killed in a traffic collision September 5, 1970, on E. Waterloo Road while, in the performance of his duty as a motorcycle officer, he was attempting to apprehend a traffic violator.



-1972-

STEPHEN J. ONDAS

Shot at 1:11 A.M. October 21, 1972, while attempting to make an arrest at Courtland and Orlando Avenues. Died at 2:50 A.M. that same morning.



-1975-

GARY A. YOST

Shot and killed by an unknown person or persons involved in a break-in at 999 Swartz Road sometime between 1:00 and 3:00 A.M. on August 23, 1975.



-1992-

BEN J. FRANKLIN

On January 10, 1992, while subduing a resisting subject, who had been placed under arrest for fighting during a basketball game at Buchtel High School, this officer suffered a fatal heart attack and died that same night.



-1993-

Harold L. Wintrow


Shot and paralyzed while attempting to apprehend two armed robbers at East Avenue and Chestnut Ridge on April 10, 1965. Died on August 27, 1993 due to complications from his injuries.



-1994-

GEORGE R. KNAFF

Killed in a traffic collision with a drunk driver on S. Hawkins Avenue at Lawton Street November 5, 1994, at 1:20 A.M. while responding to an emergency call for assistance.

	<p>-2012-</p> <p>Frank D. Mancini Shot and paralyzed while attempting to apprehend two armed robbers at East Avenue and Chestnut Ridge on April 10, 1965. Died on January 23, 2012 due to complications from his injuries.</p>
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	<p>ARTHUR A. DOUBLEDEE Deputy Marshal - Kenmore, OH Before Kenmore became part of Akron it was a political sub-division, just as many of the suburbs surrounding Akron are today. A week before Deputy Marshal Doubledee's murder, two prisoners had escaped from the Kenmore jail and fled to Akron. On October 12, 1916, armed with warrants for the two escapees, Doubledee and another officer came to Akron and arrested the two men near the intersection of Steiner and Sweitzer Streets. As the marshals were leaving the area with the prisoners to board a streetcar back to Kenmore, one of the prisoners drew a knife and stabbed Doubledee in the back and face. Deputy Marshal Arthur A. Doubledee died while being taken to the hospital.</p>
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